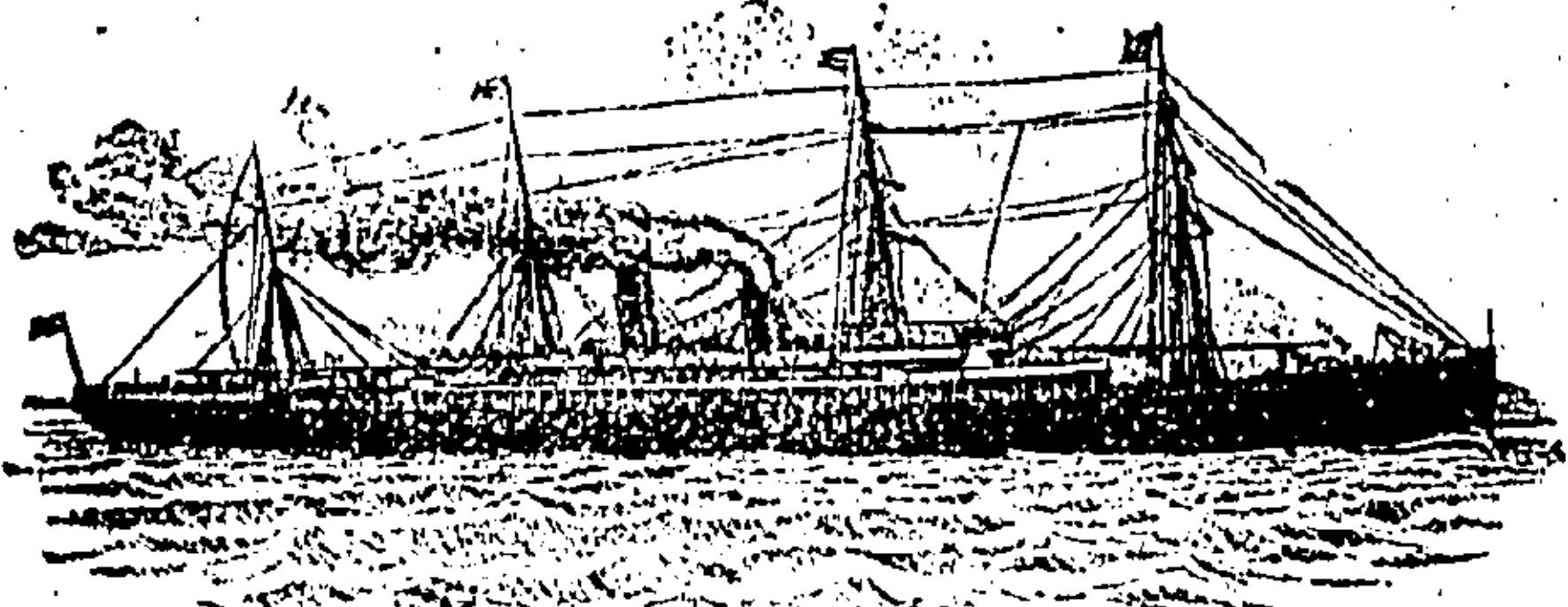


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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1903. [1415c]

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NOTICE is hereby given that an EX-
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OF EDWARDS, PIRY & COMPANY,
LIMITED, will be held at the Company's
Offices, No. 1, Duddell Street, on TUESDAY,
the 8th of December, 1903, at 11 o'clock
in the forenoon, when the subjoined resolutions
which were passed at the Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Company held on the
18th of November, 1903, will be submitted for
confirmation as Special Resolutions:—

1. That this meeting approves of the pro-
posed sale of the business of the Com-
pany to Joseph Snowell Plant.
2. That the Company be wound up volun-
tarily, so far as it was necessary for wind-
ing up.
3. That Joseph Snowell Plant be and he is
hereby appointed liquidator for the pur-
poses of such winding up.

T. EDWARDS,

S. D. PIRY,

General Managers.

No. 1, Duddell Street,

Hongkong, 21st November, 1903. [1404c]

THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-
SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company
will be held at the Head Office, Victoria,
Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 8th proximo,
at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors, together
with Statement of Accounts to the 30th April
last, and of declaring Dividends.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 24th inst. to the
8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

JAMES WHITTALL,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1903. [1374c]

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Hongkong, 15th August, 1903. [19]

NOTICE.

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Business and Trademarks, together with all
Assets and Liabilities to the HOLLAND-
CHINA HANDELS COMPAGNIE (Holland-
China Trading Co.), which will collect and dis-
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HOTZ, S'JACOB & Co.

HOLLAND-CHINA SYNDIKAAT.

Rotterdam, 1st October, 1903.

WE have this day established at ROTTER-
DAM, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI and
TIENTSIN, taking over as going concerns the
Business and Trademarks together with all
Assets and Liabilities of Messrs. HOTZ,
JACOB & Co., and the "HOLLAND-
CHINA SYNDICATE, LTD."

Messrs. J. H. COLLIGNON, S. J. R. DE
MONCHY, J. and F. B. S'JACOB have been
appointed General Managers, and we have
authorized Messrs. C. BAKKER, G. BRUSSE,
J. HUIDEKOPER, W. KIEN and C. A. WEGELIN,
to sign the Company per procurator.

HOLLAND-CHINA HANDELS-

COMPAGNIE,

(HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING COMPANY).

Rotterdam, 1st October, 1903. [142 c]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the
Military Authorities that GUNPRACTICE
will take place from Stonecutters' Island (West,
East and South Shore Batteries) on the 4th
December, in a South Westerly direction at
ranges varying from 2,000 to 4,500 yards, and
from Lyemun (Pak-sha-wan Battery) on the
5th of December, 1903, in the direction of Junk
Bay to the East of Devil's Peak at a range of
about 2,000 yards.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of
the above dates, practice will take place on the
7th of December.

Practice will commence at about 9 a.m. and
finish about 11 a.m. each day, if the range is
clear.

THE STORY OF THE MANILA OBSERVATORY.

During the progress, and for some time after the completion of the Cuban war, the Spanish Jesuits were the object of much indiscriminate and rancorous abuse by English writers on both sides of the Atlantic. To their dark machinations were attributed the decline of the power of Spain in her colonies and all the evils of mis-government which drove the Philippines and Cubans into savage insurrection. Much of this vituperation was merely expedient and opportune; and we doubt not that in moments of calmer reflection, permitted by the subsidence of the war fever and racial hatred, the writers themselves would willingly recall the hard words hurled at a body of missionaries who have for years been undoubtedly the most important factor in the spread of modern civilization in the Far East. We know of no document better calculated to ensure a tardy repentance than the story of the Manila Observatory as told in the official report of the Philippine Weather Bureau for 1902, Part II, just issued, by the United States Government. It deals with the rise and progress of the meteorological service of the Philippine Islands; its establishment and development under the Spanish Government; and its reorganization under the Government of the United States, from the year 1865 to the year 1902. The most significant thing of all, however, is that the narrator is no less than a Spanish Jesuit, Father Marcial Sala, S. J., the Official Secretary of the Philippine Weather Bureau. We would seek in vain for an instance of enlightened official tolerance and perspicacity such as this in the whole British Empire.

Meteorology as an applied science was established in Europe and America in the year 1860; and it argues an up-to-dateness some critics may find difficult to explain, that the Spanish Jesuits, settled at Manila, five years afterwards began a public meteorological service from their private observatory in the college at Ateneo. For some years previous to this the Fathers had dedicated themselves to the study of predicting the existence and course of cyclonic storms, so frequent in that part of the globe; and the terrible typhoon which in September 1865 devastated the whole of Luzon, decided them to disseminate by regular methods the knowledge they acquired by constant vigilance and observation. Father Frederico Faura was the first Director of the new service, and it was due to his enthusiasm, energy and resource that the project attained the development and importance which soon gained for it the status of a Government institution. The first installation in the Ateneo observatory was extremely modest, consisting of a few of the most indispensable instruments for the observation of temperature, humidity, atmospheric pressure and wind; yet, despite of limitations, the Fathers published a monthly leaflet and an annual chart, illustrated with various curves, giving the results obtained from the observations of each month and a résumé of the principal atmospheric perturbations occurring during the year. These unpretentious publications attracted the immediate attention of the commercial and trading communities of Manila, whose support enabled the Director, three years after the start, to install the universal meteorograph invented by the famous Roman astronomer, Father A. Secchi. The usefulness of the observatory grew year by year, and in 1870 the Director began to publish a monthly bulletin, containing, besides scientific discussions, the results of daily observations of all the meteorological elements, taken at three-hour intervals, together with the corresponding mean values. But it was not until 1879 that the devoted labours of Father Faura and his assistants attained the object they had in view from the very beginning, namely, the prediction of the existence, progressive movement and trajectory of the typhoons which sweep the China Seas. On 7th July, 1879, the Director made his first public typhoon prediction, which was sadly confirmed by the destruction that took place in Northern Luzon. Another prediction was made on the 18th November, and the commotion it produced among the population of Manila was tremendous. The Captain of the Port, D. Alejandro de Churrua, impressed by fulfilment of the July prophecy, sent word to all points of the Bay that no ship should leave her moorings during the time of danger; and the Governor-General, Don Domingo Moriones, placed himself in communication with Father Faura and decided, in spite of the opposition of the sceptical, who scouted the virtue of meteorology, to take all the precautions advised by the Observatory. He was wise in his generation. The storm broke with fury over the capital on the 20th, but the preparedness of the inhabitants saved them from serious loss. Those ports, however, which were unconnected with Manila by telegraph, and could not therefore be warned in time, suffered in the usual way. Forty-two boats were wrecked in the south of the island and many lives lost. A new era then began in the history of the Manila Observatory. Father Faura's predictions were eagerly awaited and received with the greatest respect by the maritime population, not in the Philippines only, but all through the Far East. The connection of Manila and Hongkong by cable gave Sir John Pope Hennessy, the Governor of Hongkong, the opportunity of obtaining from Ateneo a daily and methodical exchange of meteorological notes. With this end in view he addressed an official communication to Don Fernando Primo de Rivera, Governor and Captain-General of the Philippines, begging him to use his influence with the Fathers to establish the service. The latter complied with alacrity and welcomed with great cordiality the project of Major Palmer, R. R., to establish an observatory at Hongkong to supplement their own efforts at Manila. In the meantime the Manila warnings were avidly assimilated on the whole China Coast, and their marvellous accuracy and reliability gained for them the enthusiastic

gratitude of shipowners, sailors and merchants in that busy region.

Under the direction of Father Faura the meteorological service in the Philippines developed and extended in every direction. The people of Manila supported him with subscriptions to enable him to install the latest apparatus, and at length a memorial, influentially signed, was sent to the Court of Madrid praying that the private observatory at Ateneo be made the official centre of a network of secondary stations. This royal sanction of Alfonso was given in April 1884. The Jesuits were placed in charge of the new service on salaries, which with the amount allowed for maintenance and upkeep were charged partly to Imperial and partly to local funds. By the end of 1887, Father Faura had completed his network of stations. The principal observatory was transferred from the College in the Walled City to a new building in the suburb known as Ermita, on slightly elevated ground near the sea. This building it still occupies, and no position could be more favourable. The magnetical department was in full operation by the end of 1888 and the astronomical department was fully equipped in 1888, when a large equatorial telescope was installed. To simplify the work in the secondary stations Father Faura invented an ingenious aneroid barometer, which was found so useful that hardly a ship's captain in those seas is without one. This devoted priest and scientific labourer, who was acclaimed by the Ayuntamiento, the City Council, "Adorated Son of Manila," died in 1897 after thirty-two years of unique service in the Far East. He lived to see the fulfilment of his mission, his observatory at Manila being at the time of his death in close relationship and communication with all the observatories in China and Japan, and having earned a great European reputation. His mantle descended on Father Algué, who had accompanied him at the invitation of the United States to the World's Columbian Exposition of Chicago to represent the Spanish Government. In 1897 Father Algué published a book on the thunderstorms of Manila, which Dr. Paul Bergholz, Director of the Observatory of Bremen, asked permission to translate. Having received the author's assent, the worthy German gave the translation to the world as his own original work, despite the fact that he had never been in the East in his life. But this is not the only prop to his spurious reputation that Dr. Bergholz has fished from a Latin depository he probably affects to despise. Father Algué, working on the basis of Father Faura's aneroid barometer, invented a barocyclometer, the construction of which he entrusted to the German house of G. Luff of Stuttgart. Dr. Bergholz got scent of this and entered into a contract with the instrument maker to make him an identically similar apparatus, which he has given to the world as his own invention. Dr. Bergholz's book on storm has been translated into English by Dr. Robert H. Scott, F. R. S., and his barocyclometers are in vogue in the British and German navies. A more egregious case of *sic ut non vobis* it has never been our misfortune to stumble across in the domain of science.

There is another unfortunate episode in this history which may not be passed over in silence. Dr. Doberck, the Director of the British Observatory at Kowloon, first quarrelled with the Jesuit astronomers of Zi-ka-wei and got much the worst of it. When the Spanish-American war broke out, and the Americans invaded Manila, he took advantage of his official position to send an unauthorized letter to the United States Minister of Agriculture complaining of the inaccurate and alarmist typhoon warnings issued by the observatory at Manila. With a precipitancy not easy to explain, except on the supposition that the United States Government mistook this peevish complaint of a disappointed individual as the official protest from a friendly Power, the Minister of War directed General Otis to order the suspension of the Manila warnings. This created public consternation at Hongkong, Macao, Shanghai and Tokio. The public demanded an explanation and Dr. Doberck's discomfiture was complete. The British Government repudiated his action promptly, and the United States immediately requested Father Algué to resume the exchange of the meteorological messages. Out of this evil came much good. The incident drew the special attention of the Minister of Agriculture to the importance and utility of the Manila observatory and its meteorological service. The previous approbation of Admiral Dewey strengthened the determination of the Government to place the Jesuits' observatory on the same official status as it enjoyed under Spanish rule, a consummation arrived at by legislative enactment in January 1901. In the interval the service has been thoroughly reorganised, new instruments have been installed and its general utility enormously increased. The report under review is profusely illustrated with plates and contains some excellent maps and charts. It is a magnificent testimony of the work done by the Spanish Jesuits in the cause of science and humanity, and it has the interest of a charming romance, with the further satisfaction of a reliable chronicle.—*Indian Engineering.*

Notice of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE have this day authorized Mr. M. HIGASA to sign our firm per corporation.

MIDZUSHIMA & Co.
Hongkong, 21st November, 1903. [14010]

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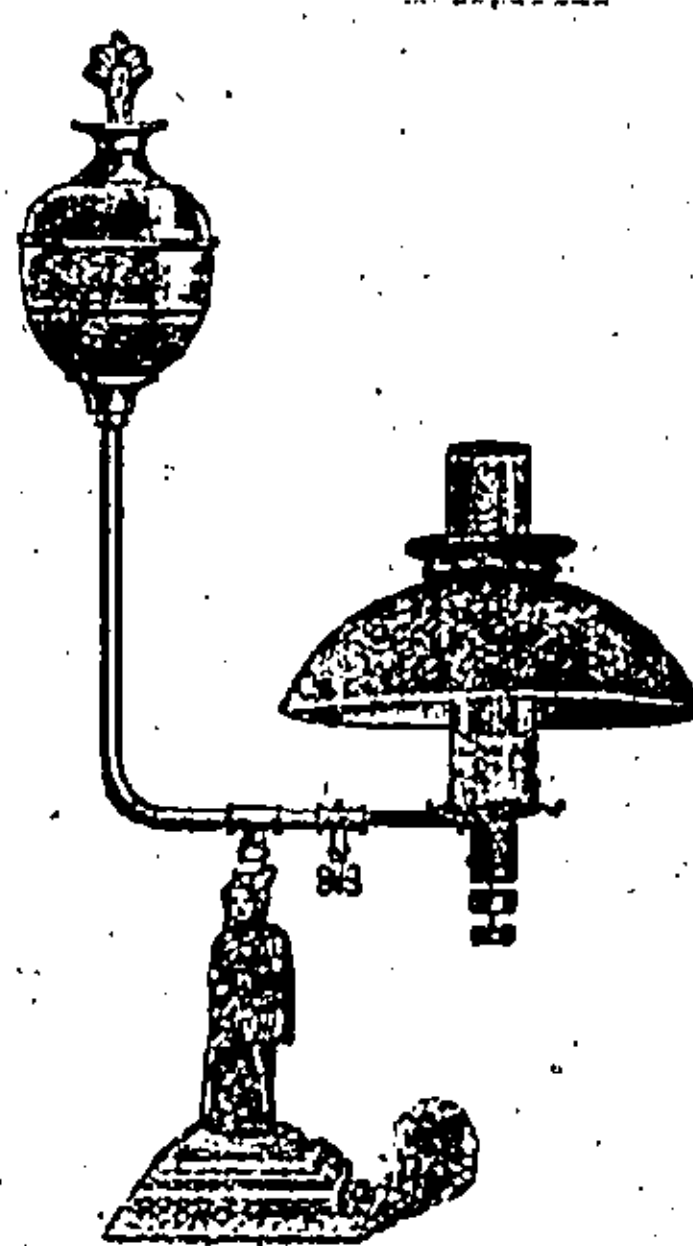
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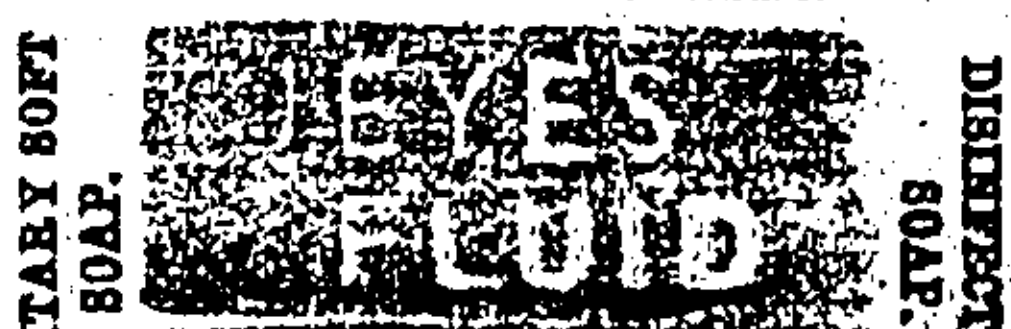
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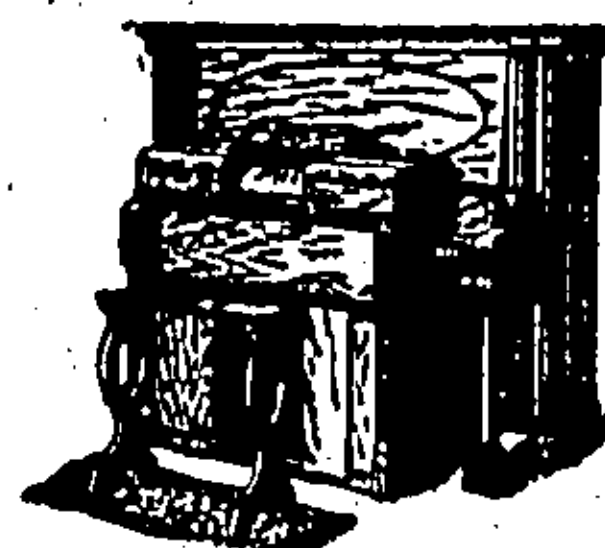
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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1903.

FRENCH ENTERPRISE
IN YUNNAN.

An account was published in our columns yesterday, of the journey made by Lieutenant Grelhier, who has just left Rangoon for France, after more than a year of travel and exploration in Yunnan and along the frontier of Tibet. In the mission so successfully accomplished by this young officer we have another proof of the admirable persistence and enterprise with which the French authorities are executing their programme of railway penetration into Yunnan, thereby carrying the commercial interests of their country into the very heart of South-western China. Thirteen years ago the Government of the Republic succeeded in obtaining the opening of Mentze to foreign commerce, and year by year the transit trade via Haiphong and the Red River has been growing in importance. In 1899, M. Doumer succeeded in obtaining the consent of the Cabinet in Paris for the construction of a railway from Haiphong to Laokay, and the proposed extension northwards to Mentze and Yunnan, concerning which the French Minister in Peking lately gained the sanction of the Chinese government, will, in two or three years' time, at the latest, prove a most important factor in increasing French trade and political influence. The project has encountered many difficulties, not least amongst them being the mountainous configuration of the country from Laokay northwards, but notwithstanding these obstacles, which led to a re-survey and the choice of a new route, work is now actively progressing on the construction of the line. The result obtained by our neighbours must give rise to some reflections on our own neglect of opportunities and on this subject one of our Indian contemporaries remarks:—"There was some criticism of the project in France as likely to be too costly and unremunerative owing to the natural difficulties to be encountered in the construction of the line and the fear that in competition with a British line from Burma, with its greater advantages of route, the French line would suffer. But the latter fear has doubtless been removed by Lord Curzon's pronouncement against the British scheme and, on the subject of the route, we learn, almost simultaneously, that a young French officer has just completed the survey of a route which presents fewer difficulties than the other that have been proposed. The line from Haiphong to Yunnan via Laokay is the object of a convention between the French government and the Compagnie des Chemins de fer de l'Indo-Chine et du Yunnan, and will be managed by that company when completed. From Haiphong to Laokay the railway is to be built by the government and from thence to Yunnan by the company. The completed section of the line from Haiphong to Hanoi was handed to the company on the 1st of April this year and the section from Hanoi to Vietri was taken over in October. The French authorities are pushing actively forward the termination of the permanent way from Vietri to Laokay, a distance of 225 kilometres, and it will most probably be ready in November, 1904. As aforementioned, the line of route for the railway from Laokay to Yunnan has, since the first survey was made in 1900, undergone important modifications. The first project was to pass by the valley of Sin-shien-ho, but this would have necessitated gradients of 35 millimetres and curves of 50 metres. The authorities recognised the difficulties of adopting this route and a new survey was made by the Cie. des chemins de fer, and the valley of Man-ti was chosen. By the new route to the plateau of Yunnan the steepest gradient is 45 millimetres and the shortest curve 100 metres, which is about the same for the line from Yenbay to Lapkay on the Tonking side. Thanks to the new survey made by the engineers of the Cie. des chemins de fer the line in Yunnan will cost a good deal less to construct than had at first been estimated, and the work will be terminated at an early date. From the above information it will be gathered that while little or no hope exists that the Burmah railway

system will ever be extended into Yunnan the French Government are determined to bring their own project to a successful issue. As our Indian confrere puts it:—"French diplomacy, which has scored while British watchfulness has slumbered, through the opening of Mentze thirteen years ago, succeeded in drawing off the external trade from the natural and ancient route via Momein and Bhamo to the extent that the commerce which finds an outlet on the Tonking coast is now five times greater than that carried by the old Burmese route. In this matter the Government of the Republic has given our own authorities a lesson in pushfulness they might take to heart, if British policy with regard to the railway to Kowloon, concerning which we heard so much at the banquet at Canton on the 15th inst., is the same as it was in the Burmah-Yunnan line then can we truly say of that deplorable want of enterprise manifested of late by our Government: *Ole jam satis est.*"

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An automobile car service is to be established between Nagasaki and Moji.

At the Peak this morning the thermometer read 47° F. It was 51° F. in the city.

The German gun-boat *Ther*, has spent a considerable time in Kobe undergoing repairs.

PRELIMINARY arrangements have been made to combine all the European naphtha springs into one gigantic petroleum trust in opposition to the American oil trust.

The Japanese Government have intimated that they cannot discuss co-operation with China until the present negotiations with Russia are decided in one way or another.

It is stated in Peking that a proclamation posted in Moukden informs all the minor officials that they must vacate their Yamen within five weeks. Any official failing to do this will be liable to punishment and imprisonment, while those who vacate promptly will be rewarded with \$100 and a passport for Peking, so that they may reach that place in safety.

AS the Japanese steamer *Yedo Maru*, for which the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha are agents, was lying at anchor at Chinkiang, she was run into by the N.Y.K.S. *Sud*, the latter striking the former in the after hold, and doing considerable damage, without, however, sustaining any injury herself. The *Yedo Maru* has arrived at Shanghai, and will probably have to dock there for repairs, says the *N. C. D. News*.

MR. Yamaguchi, Superintendent Captain of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, who has been visiting Korea on behalf of the company to report on the waterway of the Yalu, with a view to opening a service there, has returned and made a report to the effect that on the Korean side there is no place excepting Yong-am-pho fitted for the purposes of an open port, but little trade except that of timber can be anticipated.

THE C. E. and Mining Co.'s steamer *Yung-ping*, loading coal for Hankow at Chinwangtao harbour, caught fire on Saturday, 6th Nov., through the carelessness, it is presumed, of a coolie dropping a lighted match on some cargo matting. Fortunately the conflagration was not allowed to assume serious proportions. The damage is comparatively small, about 400 barrels of cement being destroyed by fire and water.—*China Times*.

AT 9 a.m. on the 15th instant fire broke out in one of the pits belonging to the Aikake colliery, Tagawa district, Chikuzen. Most of the miners were rescued, but about thirty-five are missing. The origin of the conflagration was an explosion of gas. On ordinary days about 2,300 men are at work in the pit. The 15th being pay day, only about eight hundred men were at work, and this fact, no doubt, lessened the extent of the disaster. An official telegram from the Governor of Fukuoka to the Home Department gives the total loss of life as thirty-five. The colliery is jointly owned by Mr. Hiraoka and Mr. Yasukawa.—*Ex.*

A LONDON wire to the *Japan Times* says that M. Combes, the French Premier, has announced in the Senate that in the course of the session the Government will introduce a bill prohibiting the members of religious congregations from engaging in education in any form. The Government, the Premier went on to say, preferred applying the prohibition to the ordinary clergy pending a decision on the question of separation of Church and State, which would probably come before Parliament during 1904. The Government was determined to end the present situation, which disturbed the moral tranquillity of the country. The speech created a great sensation.

It will be remembered that actions for damages have already been filed by the respective companies owning the steamers *Tokai-maru* and *Progress*, the former of which was sunk in collision recently with the latter. According to a Tokyo dispatch to the *Asahi*, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha is now taking steps to attach the steamer *Progress*, which is undergoing repairs at Hakodate. The company having consulted its legal adviser, Dr. Okamura, on the course proposed, the legal adviser, together with another official, have left for Hakodate with the object of attaching the vessel.—*Ex.*

THE French cruiser *Chateaufort* arrived from Amoy this morning, and the Russian training ship *Okean*, departed for Singapore and home.

ACCORDING to the *Hamburg Nachrichten*, the steamer *Antonia*, the largest freighter of the Hamburg-American line, was recently loading 10,000 tons of coal in England for East Asia. The coal is for the use of the Russian Government.

A SPECIAL dinner was given at the Kowloon Hotel last evening on the occasion of Thanksgiving day, and quite a large number of persons went over from Hongkong to join Host Osbourne in the enjoyment of the festive occasion. The menu provided would have tickled the palate of the most capricious of gourmets.

No case of cholera having occurred at Nagasaki since the 11th instant, it is now considered that there is no longer any danger of the disease spreading. From the 21st ultimo, when the disease broke out, to the 11th instant, 149 cases of genuine cholera and 9 cases of cholera morbus were reported.—*Ex.*

THE Nippon Yusen Kaisha was to call a general meeting of shareholders at Tokio, yesterday and submit the balance sheet for the present year. The result of the half year's business is reported to have been satisfactory and a dividend was to be proposed at the same rate as last term, viz. 12 per cent. per annum.

PRESIDENT Roosevelt, in receiving the credentials of Senator Varilla, as Minister of the Republic of Panama, hoped that a new State, in harmony with the United States, would be a providential instrument of untold benefit to the civilized world, through the opening of a new highway for universal commerce.—*Japan Mail*.

IN reply to an inquiry which has been addressed to us relative to the market rate of shares, we would point out that quotations are furnished to us as printed on page 7. We take it that there must necessarily be differences between the rate ruling each day and those quoted in the list over the name of Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts.

A REPORT has been current that there has been a brush between Chinese and Russians outside the Wall, the Russians claiming to believe Gen. Ma's troops were brigands. Desultory fighting will be worse than useless. If China really means to act, she must do so with system, and it will be useless going for Russia with 10,000 men or so.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and Officers the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow, (Saturday) from 8 to 9.30 p.m.

MAJOR PROGRAMME.
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Venus....."Stradella".....Flower
Selection....."The Girl from Kay".....Ivan
Carmel Solo....."Eine Nacht in der Schweiz".....Hume
Selection....."Reminiscences of Scotland".....Godfrey
Valse....."The Choristers".....Phelps
Nocturne....."L'Esperance".....Asher
God save the King.

THE *Kobe-maru*, which arrived at Shimonoseki on 17th inst. from Vladivostok, brings news to the effect that the Russians at Vladivostok are keenly desirous of having the headquarters of the Viceroy of the Far East removed from Port Arthur to Vladivostok, and that three members of the Chamber of Commerce of the latter city were in Port Arthur using their influence to attain this object. Reuter, it will be remembered, stated some days ago that the removal of Viceroy Alexieff's headquarters to Vladivostok had already been decided.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

RECENTLY the Japanese Minister at Seoul, communicating with the Korean Foreign Office in regard to the decline in nickel coins, said it was due to the redemption of the manufacture of the coins, which was suspended in 1901, on the advice of the Foreign Ministers at Seoul. The decline largely affected the interests of Japanese merchants in Korea, and Mr. Hayashi asked for a reply as to the measures to be taken to remedy the evil, adding that he had a suggestion to make. The exchange stands at the rate of about \$2.50 in nickel coins for one Japanese yen.

A CHEFOO dispatch to the *Asahi* states that the Japanese steamer *Kwanko-maru*, 348 tons, now under the charter of a Chinese firm at Chefoo, while leaving Port Arthur at 8.30 p.m. on the 13th inst., came into collision with a steam launch belonging to the Russian cruiser *Aschold*. The latter sunk, and two from among the eight men on board were drowned. The *Kwanko-maru* was stopped and two Russian soldiers boarded the vessel, the Captain being prohibited from landing. On the following day the officer in command of the *Aschold*, accompanied by an interpreter, boarded the *Kwanko-maru* and examined the Captain.

THE *Manchuria* took to Dalny on 22nd inst. en route for Europe, Mr. Robert Inglis, with his wife who only returned from a trip home a few days ago, reports the *M. C. D. News*. By the aid of good abilities and constant hard work Mr. Inglis had reached the proud position of senior partner in Shanghai of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., and the breakdown of his health after his long devotion to work is particularly regrettable. He has been universally liked and respected wherever he has been stationed, while his charming wife has made nothing but friends during her residence here. From many other parts of China, as from Shanghai, the best wishes for his speedy recovery and return to the East in good health go with him.

MR. Bennet-Burleigh, the well-known war correspondent of the *London Daily Telegraph*, and Mr. Egan, of the *New York Associated Press*, are reported to have arrived at Yokohama on 16th inst. by the *Empress of Japan*. It is not difficult to surmise what these gentlemen have come for, says the *Kobe Chronicle*, but fortunately for Japan events do not hold out such hopes for "war copy" as they did a month ago. Mr. Burleigh, however, may be expected to make good use of his time while in Japan, for he bears the reputation of being a most trustworthy and brilliant correspondent.

ABOUT an hour after the R. M. S. *Empress of Japan* left Victoria on Nov. 2, on her way across this time, an able seaman while securing the forward gangway on the starboard side, was perceived by his shipmates to suddenly fall overboard, having it is presumed, lost his hold. The alarm was given, the ship was at once stopped, two boats being immediately lowered to the water. As one of the boat was approaching, the unfortunate man was seen to throw up his arms, and before his would-be rescuers could reach him, he sank and was not seen again. The ship remained at the place about an hour in the hope of recovering the body of the unfortunate man, but no further signs of him were seen.

FOOTBALL.

H. K. F. C. v. THE NAVY.

The "rugger" match between the Club and the Navy, on the Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, was played under favourable conditions and in the presence of a fair number of spectators. Both teams were punctually in their places at 4.30, although Fletcher, the Club's half, was absent, but he turned up about five minutes after play commenced. The game started about 4.35 p.m., and some very interesting play was witnessed. Both teams fought hard and went through a lot of rough and tumbling play to open the score. At half time the game was two tries to nil in the Club's favour.

On play being continued the Naval team fought hard, but stood no chance against the better practice and discipline of the Club. When the referees' whistle sounded the finish the score stood at 2 goals, 3 tries for the H. K. F. C. and one try for the Naval team. For the home team Barnes and Pearce, with Robertson at three-quarter back played a very prominent game. Chard was very useful at forward, and Campbell at half played a steady game. The forwards showed up prominently. For the Navy, Stoyke and Parker at halves and Formby at forward played the best game.

The following were the teams:—Club:—Lieut. G. B. Macdonald, full back; Lieut. J. H. W. Becke, T. E. Pearce, O. J. Barnes, W. K. Robertson, three-quarters; Lieut. P. H. Campbell, A. G. M. Fletcher, halves; H. F. Chard, H. C. Sandford, Lieut. M. R. Stover, W. A. Crake, P. H. Crofton, K. A. Sclanders, Lieut. E. Rogers, and A. N. Other, forwards; Navy:—Crawford, back; Parker, Stoyke, Loveband, and Biggs, three-quarters; De Vuille and Lamb, halves; Barnard, Kellett, Formby, Barnby, Rice, Kowley, Smith, and Roe, forwards.

To-morrow afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play the V.R.C. Kick-off at 4 p.m. The following will play for the Club:—F. H. Kew, goal; H. C. Austen and E. F. Ancott, backs; G. B. Macdonald, J. W. C. Bonnar and H. C. Gray, halves; H. A. Brent, R. Hancock, C. R. S. Cooper, J. Richardson and R. A. Whitmore forwards.

The following will play for the V.R.C.F.C.:—Forwards, H. W. Sayer, J. Clelland, E. R. Herton, J. Whyte, E. Humphreys; half-backs, J. Forbes, H. S. Holmes, J. Duncan, backs, A. Loureiro, J. Welch, Goal, C. Fittoch.

The V.R.C.F.C. "A" team will play H.M.S. *Tamar*, at 4 p.m., on Saturday on V.R.C.F.C. ground at Causeway Bay. The following will play for the V.R.C.F.C. A team:—Forwards, J. H. Seth, H. Gidley, C. Shaw, A. Marti, A. A. Park; half-backs, S. Gidley, H. S. Spurge, H. C. Sayer; backs, W. Andrews, J. Christie; Goal, E. K. Millar.

CHATWICK'S CIRCUS.

After a lengthy tour through China and America, Mr. Chatwick has returned to the Colony, brilliant with honours, with a new Indian circus. Whilst performing at Tientsin the *Empress-Dowager* heard of the circus and made arrangements for an exhibition at the Summer Palace, and so satisfied was her Majesty with what she saw that, through her Ministers, she presented Mr. Chatwick with 10,000 taels as a reward for his entertainment, while the acrobatic members of the troupe were awarded medals bearing the Imperial dragon emblem on each. Miss Awada received two rolls of silk, and Miss Kamala one roll. Her Majesty congratulating both these performers on their work and also shaking hands with them. The troupe is now performing in Hongkong in a circus tent, near the Central Market, and the crowded attendance both at the afternoon and evening entertainments is ample evidence of the popularity of the show. Misses Awada and Kamala appear in the arena in the great Hindoo globe millig act, while trapeze balancing by the last named lady and Mr. Threimback, which so interested the *Empress*, is one of the items of the programme. As in Peking, the India rubber boys and girls cause wonder and astonishment, while the other members are equally as popular. Mention should also be made of the Russian music and dancing, the clowns, horse riding, bala cing acts and performances by a wonderfully trained baby elephant, Indian parrots and

a fine specimen of a Bengal tiger. A change of programme is announced for each evening, and a very pleasant two hours may be spent in the circus tent.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

The following matches will be played at the Happy Valley on Saturday next, the 28th instant, at 2.15 p.m.:

CRAIGENGOWER C. C. v. CIVIL SERVICE
C. C. R. E. v. A. O. C.

The following will represent Craigengower C.C.—J. D. Kinnaird, E. R. Herton, L. A. Rose, A. O. Brown, L. E. Lammer, R. Bass, E. Ford, J. P. Jordan, P. Poonjoo, J. L. Sturrt, and H. H. Taylor. Reserve J. Gloyne.

"TAMAR" v. PARSERS.

The following will play for the Parsers:—R. B. Cooper, M. D. Vania, J. D. Noria, J. N. Mehta, B. K. Mehta, J. M. Master, D. R. Captain, N. B. Shroff, C. B. Mistry, J. H. Ruttonji, C. B. Morawala, I. A. Chinnoy, A. B. Kharas.

The 2nd XI of the Craigengower C.C. will play the 2nd XI of the Civil Service on the same day, commencing at 2.15 p.m.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY

IN THE NORTH.

Writing from Tientsin on 11th inst. our correspondent says:—"Tientsin had a great burst of loyalty on the 9th beginning with a full military parade in the morning at which General Ventres paid the French General, Lefere, the compliment of inviting him to receive the salute of the troops instead of himself. This unusual procedure caused rather a flutter in military circles, and gossip had it the incident was not appreciated by the Germans; but General Lefere was not only senior general among the foreign garrisons but the only other general on the ground; there was nothing invidious in the compliment at all. At the sports which took place in the afternoon only the French participated or, indeed, were present, and the one or two instances in which the French soldiers came out first in the contests were very markedly applauded by the British. In the tug-of-war the team of picked and very powerfully-built Frenchmen were simply walked away with by the Indian team, who bareheaded, had the Gauls over the line within five seconds amid the most uproarious cheers. In the evening a grand ball was given, our fine Gordon Hall being converted into a very creditable imitation of a baronial hall of Queen Anne's time. It was largely attended by all nationalities and the greatest good will and geniality prevailed. In Peking the celebrations were somewhat similar, the ball in the evening at the Legation being a really brilliant affair, Sir Robert Hart's excellent band furnishing the music. There was no attempt on this occasion to experimentalize on the ammunition store either with or without detonating batteries.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A FRENCH MILITARY PIGEON-POST

AT PAKHOI.

The French Government in Tonking are organising a military pigeon-post station at Pakhoi. A sum of \$490 has been granted by the Tonking Protectorate for the construction of a building there. As Pakhoi is a treaty-port it would be of interest to know if the Chinese Government and the others interested have consented to this arrangement. It will be remembered that a few weeks since, we drew attention to the fact, that the French Military Authorities were making experiments with carrier-pigeons from the steamers of Mr. A. R. Marty when these vessels were, at different times, in the harbours at Hoihow, Pakhoi and Kwangchowan. By the establishment of this station at Pakhoi it will be possible to advise the authorities in Tonking of all movements going on in the Hainan Straits.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

American (*Coltic*) to-morrow.
French (*Safoite*) 1st prox.
Indian (*Lightning*) 1st prox.
Tacoma (*Tacoma*) 4th prox.
Australian (*Chinglu*) 5th prox.
Indian (*Kumsang*) 7th prox.
French (*Australien*) 8th prox.
American (*America*) 8th prox.
Canadian (*Tarlar*) 9th prox.
Tacoma (*Victoria*) 13th prox.
American (*Korea*) 15th prox.

The M. M. Co.'s s.s. *Salazie* with the outward French Mail will leave Saigon on 28th inst., at 10 p.m.

The Ben Line s.s. *Benlomond*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore yesterday, 26th inst., for this port.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Sanuki Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on 27th inst., and is expected to arrive here on 2nd prox.

The O. & O. S. Co.'s s.s. *Gaelic* with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on 25th inst.

The T. K. K. Co.'s s.s. *America Maru* with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 10th inst. via Honolulu, arrived at Yokohama on 25th inst., three days ahead of schedule time.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The German Estimates.

LONDON, 25th November.

The German estimates for 1904 show an increase of Mks. 6,500,000 for permanent expenditure on the Navy.

Obituary.

The death is announced of Bishop Anjer of Shantung.

The Union Free-Trade League.

At a great meeting of the Unionist Free-Trade League in London, the Duke of Devonshire, presiding, declared that it was not the policy of the Government which was now before the country. He thought that within limits there was a good deal to be said in favour of retaliation duties, but he had no adequate knowledge of the Government's policy of which he entertained grave misgivings. He asked how long the Unionist leaders intended to sit silent spectators while their late colleague assumed all the duties, privileges, and responsibilities.

LATER.

The Macedonian Reform Scheme.

After protracted Councils, extending through the night, the Porte has accepted the Austro-Russian Reform scheme in principle with the reservation that everything calculated to humiliate Turkey shall be avoided.

The Indisposition of the Tsarina.

The inflammation has spread to the inner ear and the pain prevents sleep.

The Indisposition of the Kaiser.

Bulletins state that the Kaiser still needs to spare his voice, and is undergoing massage of the larynx.

(Japanese Exchange.)

The Far Eastern Difficulty.

FEELING IN ST. PETERSBURG.

Vienna, 15th November.

A much quieter tone has prevailed in diplomatic and press circles at St. Petersburg of late, and the general belief there seems to be that the fate of the Far Eastern difficulty now rests with Viceroy Alexieff. The Czar and the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and of War advocate peace, and a change of the Viceroy will become necessary if Viceroy Alexieff insists on hostilities.

America and Korea.

London, 14th November.

Admiral Evans, Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. Squadron in Asiatic waters, is sending a warship from Yokohama to convey the Hon. H. N. Allen, United States Minister to Seoul, to Chemulpo.

The Moukden Affair.

DIPLOMATIC ACTION IN Peking.

Peking, November 16.

Mr. Uchida called on Prince Ching to-day and advised His Highness of the progress made in the Japan-Russian negotiations and the attitude of the powers interested in the matter. The Japanese Minister pointed out that the Russian re-occupation of Moukden was a great mistake, and urged the Chinese Government to maintain a strong attitude until the Japan-Russian negotiations were concluded.

Some of the diplomats here believe that Germany and France will intervene in the Japan-Russian negotiations and that Great Britain will not intere.

Prince Ching called on Mr. Conger, American Minister to Peking, yesterday afternoon. The Prince told the American Minister that he had learned that Germany intends to support Russia both in the Balkans and the Far East. He asked Mr. Conger if the report was accurate. Mr. Conger, referring to the re-occupation of Moukden, said it was a childish threat on the part of Russia to oppose the opening of Moukden and Antung. Mr. Conger further remarked with regard to the Japan-Russian negotiations that the powers were anxious to avert a war between these two powers, and that as Japan was eager to win the goodwill and sympathy of the powers, the negotiations might be expected to reach a satisfactory conclusion, although the progress was very slow. —*Mainichi*.

[According to a Tientsin dispatch received by the *Asahi*, the Russians, after the occupation of Mukden, posted placards at various places in the city, urging the inhabitants not to be alarmed. They have been making every effort to secure the favour of the inhabitants, while the authorities have amended the Chinese Tax regulations, removing all additional taxes. Nearly all the inhabitants are said to be displaying Russian flags from their houses.]

Movements of Russian Troops.

Seoul, 16th November.

Twelve hundred marines and bluejackets arrived at Port Arthur from the Baltic on the 12th inst. 2,000 Infantry from Nicolafski they will shortly set out for Moukden and other Manchurian cities. 15,000 Infantry, which left European Russia toward the end of September (Russian calendar), arrived at Nicolafski a few days ago. One half will proceed to Possi Bay to take the place of two Regiments that are now marching to Port Arthur. The 36th Division and the 20th Regiment at Tsihsihar will shortly be sent to Liaoyang and Port Arthur. There are 3,000 men at Dalny, but these will be reinforced by 8,000 men shortly, and eight large barracks are now being built to accommodate these men. —*Asahi*.

(Der Ostasiatische Lloyd.)

The Kaiser's Indisposition.

Berlin, 25th November.

The wound of H. M. the Kaiser is now almost completely healed. Preparations have been made for several small trips of the Emperor

within Germany during the month of December. It is possible that the Emperor will go next spring to some southern bathing-place.

Japan and Russia.

The *Manchester Guardian* publishes an interview of one of its representatives with General Katsura, the Japanese Premier, who predicts an early peaceful solution of the Manchurian and Chinese questions. This report is received here with great satisfaction.

France and Siam.

The French Government declares that France will have to occupy Siam until Siam has complied with her obligations according to the Chantabun agreement.

Morocco.

The joint efforts of France and England to procure a loan for Morocco have now been abandoned as they were futile. The position of the Sultan of Morocco has decidedly improved.

Germany to the Rescue!

After Germany has used her influence in Constantinople in the most energetic way it is probable that the Porte will now notify the other Powers their intention to accept the Murzsteg programme.

Panama.

The United States of America having been the first to acknowledge the Republic of Panama, France has done the same, after she obtained a promise that her demands would be complied with. Germany's acknowledgment is imminent. England, however, will do so only under the condition that part of the debts of the United States of Colombia will be taken over by Panama.

The Prussian Diet.

The definite result of the elections to the Prussian Diet is as follows:

Conservatives	147
Free Conservatives	55
Clericals	70
National-liberals	79
Liberals	31
Peasants	13
Various parties	11

No Socialist has been elected.

Korea.

RENEWED RUSSIAN ACTIVITY IN THE NORTH.

Seoul, 17th November.

Russia is at her political games again in the Yalu valley. The Russian forces in Fen-huang-cheng and Antung-hsien have been augmented and military supplies are being accumulated in Yong-am-pho. Timber rafts in the Wiju direction have been compulsorily requisitioned by the Russians.

M. Pavloff is strongly objecting to the joint proposal for the opening of Yong-am-pho by the Japanese, British and American representatives and consequently the Korean Government are so far unable to arrive at any decision thereon.

In another conference of the foreign Representatives here it has been decided that blue-jackets landing at Chamulpho will be hereafter accompanied by an officer and supervised by him. —*Kokumin*.

Seoul, 17th November.

The British, Japanese and American Ministers are pressing the Korean Government to open Ryong-an.

Ye Ka-yei, Foreign Minister, with MacLeavy Brown, laid a joint representation before the Emperor recently, and it is now reported that he is advising the foreign Ministers to Seoul to insist upon the opening of the place. The Russian Minister called at the Foreign Minister's office and is reported to have threatened him if he consented to the opening. A definite date for the opening of the place is mentioned, but it is believed that the affair will shortly be concluded. —*Mainichi*.

The Czar's Return.

JOURNEY DARKENED BY DEATH.

Berlin, 17th November.

The Czar and Czarina were returning to St. Petersburg from Darmstadt. On the way, Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the Grand-duke of Hesse and niece of the Czarina, who accompanied her aunt, suddenly fell ill at Skiersniewice (Russian Poland) of cholera and died in a short time. The Czar and Czarina immediately returned to Alexandrov with the body. —*Kokumin*.

India and Persia.

VICEROY CURZON'S VISIT.

London, 18th November.

The Shah of Persia intends to meet Viscount Curzon, Viceroy of India, at Bushire.

Railway Enterprise in China.

ACTION OF BRITISH CAPITALISTS.

Peking, 18th November.

The Belgian syndicate, which consists of some French and Belgian capitalists has hitherto been supposed to enjoy the support of the Russian Government. It is now reported that several English capitalists have joined the syndicate recently which is now preparing to enter upon active work in the Yangtze Valley. This is probably a result of the better relations between France and Britain. It is believed by the public that the speech made by Sir Ernest Satow at Shanghai about the development of British influence will probably be found hereafter to have some connection with this movement.

The Manchurian Question.

STATEMENT AT CHINA ASSOCIATION'S MEETING.

London, 18th November.

The Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, speaking yesterday night at the dinner of the China Association, regretted to say that he knew nothing regarding the circumstances which had prevented Russia from carrying out the explicit assurances which had been given to Great Britain concerning the restoration of the Manchurian provinces to China upon the date specified.

MAD ENGINEER ATTEMPTS TO WRECK A RIVER STEAMER.

BETWEEN ICHANG AND HANKOW.

18th November.

This afternoon between four and five o'clock the passengers in the first-class cabins were startled by a crashing of glass in the first-class dining saloon. We all rushed out into the saloon to see what had happened and just arrived in time to see a man's leg and feet disappearing through the skylight over the dining-room.

In an instant a smothering of glass began on the upper deck and a downpour of small pieces through the skylight windows covered the table and saloon floor. The Chinese table boys yelled "robbers" and everybody about joined in the chase on the upper deck to catch the man, who was smashing the skylight windows and the doors and windows of the upper deck cabins. A general stampede ensued in which all who had the courage to do so, joined.

In a very few minutes shots began to be heard and things began to look rather serious. To the few first-class passengers, among whom were three foreigners, a married couple and another man, it looked as though the steamer was being attacked from within by river pirates. Gunshots and smashing continued and the crew seemed unable to capture the man. The passengers stood at their cabin doors, and those who had them, with fire arms, ready for the worst.

The cabins on the upper deck began to burst into flames. Smoke was filling the dining saloon. The pilot house was in the hands of—well, we did not know whom. The steamer began to stop and swing around in the river. It would soon be dark. The flames were beginning to burst out from the upper cabin windows. The wind was blowing a gale. Everybody but the captain seemed to be helpless, and the captain, with rifle in hand, seemed to be unable to locate the man who was making all the trouble. Visions of the steamer on fire in a gale with dense darkness coming on and in the hands of pirates, began to loom up in our mind. In this condition waiting for the worst to happen, word came from the officers that it was the chief-engineer gone mad, and that he was trying to wreck the steamer.

In some ways this was a little better than being in the hands of pirates. It was only one man, but he knew the steamer and knew best how to carry out his purpose.

This captain and officers had evidently done all in their power to capture him without shooting him. It was dangerous to be in an exposed position as his rifle shots were flying about everywhere. However, the captain had not lost control of the steamer. As soon as he saw the seriousness of the situation, he anchored the steamer and with his rifle stepped out on the front low deck and with a couple of well aimed shots dislodged the madman from the pilot house. A couple of shots hit him in the neck. He saw that his case was lost and in desperation he fled from the pilot house, threw down his knife and firearms, sprang over the ship's rail and let himself over the side of the steamer by a rope into the water before anybody could rescue him. He came to the surface a few times and then disappeared. Darkness came on. The steam launch was lowered but it was impossible to find the body.

The captain and officers of the steamer exercised the greatest patience. They hoped that the fit of madness would work itself off with the smashing of a few windows and doors. But when they saw that the man was desperate and that nothing short of shooting to kill and burning to destroy would satisfy him, they acted with the greatest promptness and the captain did the only thing left for him to do, or forfeit his ship and possibly the lives of all on board.

The chief pilot was the only one who received serious injuries. He was shot by a rifle ball through the leg between the knee and thigh. His injuries received immediate attention and he is doing as well as can be expected.

The damage done to the upper deck of the steamer will probably amount to a few hundred dollars.

The excitement was intense for a few minutes, but happily was soon over. The whole thing did not last more than an hour. By six o'clock the dinner table was spread and we were all seated about it seeming as calm and peaceful as usual. —*M. C. D. News*.

THE MARTYRS' MEMORIAL FOR CHINA.

The movement to erect in Shanghai a Martyrs' Memorial for China has now been successfully launched in China and the Far East. The Hon. Secretary, the Rev. D. MacGillivray, has been entrusted with the duty of launching it at home, and as a preliminary will confer with the Mission Boards of Great Britain and America.

The Executive Committee of the China Missionary Alliance has passed in this connection the following resolution:—Resolved:—That "as the Rev. D. MacGillivray, M. A., B. D., is now proceeding to England and America in order to represent the Protestant Missionary body in China, in the matter of the proposed Martyrs' Memorial, this Executive Committee of the China Missionary Alliance heartily recommends him and his work to the Mission Boards and Christian churches to those countries."

The central conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in China at its recent meeting at Nanking, 5th-11th November, unanimously adopted a resolution endorsing the movement. The conference represents five conference with 121 foreign missionaries.

Dr. MacGillivray and family left last Sunday on the C. E. R. S. *Manchuria* for Dalny and Europe. —*M. C. D. News*.

A FAMILY OF LITIGANTS IN HONGKONG.

At the Supreme Court this morning, the Puisne Judge, Mr. A. G. Wise, heard an action brought by Leung Kwok Sun against a Portuguese for the recovery of \$93 due on a promissory note.

Mr. F. X. d'Almada e Castro represented the defendant, and said he was willing to pay in instalments.

His Honour—Who is the plaintiff? Does he belong to the same family as Leung Cheung? Mr. d'Almada—He is a son.

His Honour—How many more are there? I have already had two sons and the father here before. Ask him how many brothers he has.

Leung Kwok Sun—I have two elder brothers, and a number of smaller ones only two years old! (Laughter.)

His Honour—Tell him to go back and tell his father I do not want to see any more of his family, not even those two years old. (Laughter.)

Judgment was given for plaintiff, the money to be paid in monthly instalments of \$5.

MOVEMENTS OF CHINESE TROOPS.

General Ma Kungpao, with a force of 5,000 infantry, 1,000 cavalry and 1,000 artillerymen, together with his own personal guards and attendants, left Tungchow on the 4th inst, for the East. The General himself travelled by train as far as Lunchow, where he caught up with the troops and fell in on the march with them to Shanhaikwan. The *Wai Wai* has informed the officers commanding the British and German garrisons at Shanhaikwan of this movement, so that no misunderstanding may arise when General Ma Kungpao's force arrives at its destination.

Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai has telegraphed instructions to General Yang of Jehol to send a strong force of troops to the Sintai Gate of Moukden, and take up his own quarters at Chowyang near the Manchurian capital.

General Chiang Kwei-tai has been ordered to leave Peking at an early date, with the forces under his command, for some destination which has not yet been disclosed. —*China Gazette*.

THE MONEY MARKET PROSPECT.

A Tokio banker, writing to the *Yomiuri* in reference to the future of the economical situation, expresses the opinion that economic circles of the country, through long political disturbances, have failed to note the sluggishness of the money market. But as the political situation gets easier, business men are awakening to the fact that a large amount of money is lying idle in the banks, and it is generally anticipated that the circulation will become more sluggish than ever. The Government, says the banker, declares that preparations are so made that the country is prepared either for war or peace. If the preparations be really made by the Government for promoting works in Manchuria and Korea upon the peaceful settlement of the Manchuria question, as they certainly are for war, the money ready to be used for war will be required for enterprise in China and Korea. Though the greater part of the money so required will probably be raised by the issue of bonds abroad, the money market in Japan may be in some degree affected. The present sluggishness is due to the diplomatic difficulty, and if everything is settled in peace, the economic circles of this country, which have long been oppressed by the situation, will recover, and the demand for money will be followed by such a stringency of circulation that the large margin of ¥40,000,000, left within the legal limit of the amount of Bank of Japan notes to be issued free of tax, may never again be recorded.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

To-day's quotations close as follows.—
Banks,

London	£63.10
China Traders	£61.5
H. K. & M.acao	£30.50 and b.
Indo-Chinas	£75 b.
Star Ferries	£27 b.
new	£163 s.
Shell Transports	£207
China Sugars	£105 s.
Docks	£207
Hongkong Wharves	£88 b.
Farnhams	£125 b.
Hongkong Lands	£151 s.
Hongkong Hotels	£146 s. and s.
Ewos	£35
Green Islands	£234 b.
China Boraxes	£8 s.
Watsons	£143 b.
Steam Water boats	£153 b. ex. div.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer

Bank Bills, on demand	1/9 1/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/9 7/16
D'cents 4 months' sight	1/9 9/16

ON BERLIN, (demand)

Bank Bills, on demand	2.21
Credits, 4 months' sight	2.24

ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand

Credits, 30 days' sight	43
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ON DOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer

On demand	130
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ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer

Private 30 days' sight	nom.
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ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.

Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	111.52
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	59.70
Bal Silver	143 1/16

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

	Per chest
MALWA NEW	900/940
" LAST YEAR	980/1,050
" OLDEST	1,170/1,100
PATNA NEW	1,025
BENARIE NEW	1,130
P. SIAN (PAPER)	800/830

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE COMPETITION TO-MORROW, the 28th inst., will be for Long Range, Cups and Spoons, commencing at 2.30 P.M. RANGES.—700 and 800 yards. Ten Shots and a Sighter at each Range. MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOLE, Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 27th November, 1903. [145]

CHATRE'S NEW INDIAN CIRCUS.

Patronised by H. M. the Empress Dowager and other Royalty of China.

CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

TO-MORROW, (SATURDAY), 28th November, 1903, in a CIRCUS TENT NEAR CENTRAL MARKET MARINE LINE. MENAGERIE of highly trained animals, including LIONS, TIGERS, ELEPHANTS, LEOPARDS, &c. MARVELLOUS GYMNASTIC EXERCISES. WONDERFUL ACTS IN BAREBACK RIDING. Afternoon performance at 3 p.m. each day.

RUSSIAN SINGING AND DANCING. Soldiers and Sailors, half-price. Particulars from the Expresses. Tickets can be obtained from

H. RUTTONJEE, 5, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong, and 37 & 38, Elgin Road, Kowloon. Hongkong, 27th November, 1903. [1416c]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW. THE Company's Steamship

"HALLOONG," Captain Evans, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 28th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS, LARPAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 27th November, 1903. [1413c]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. THE Company's Steamship

"SALAZIE," Captain Negre, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd December, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, 27th November, 1903. [1040c]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE P. & O. S. N. Co's Steamship

"CEYLON," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M., TO-MORROW.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd proximo, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

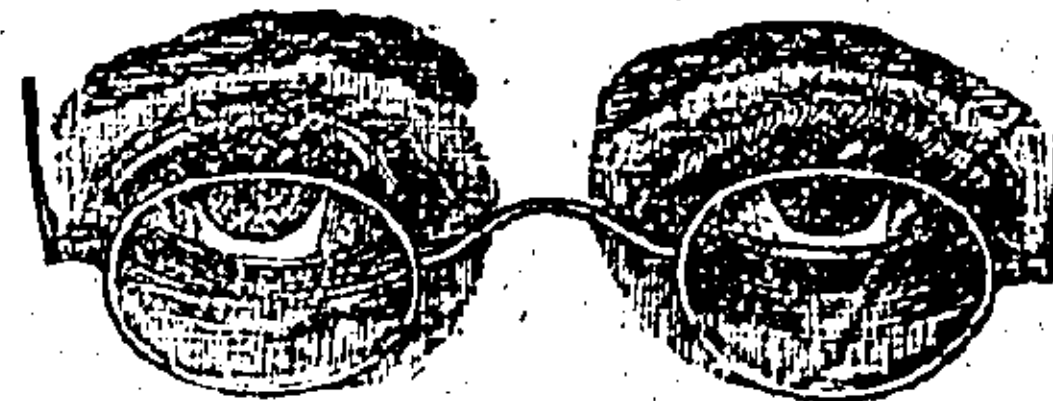
Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [4]

EYE-SIGHT.



MR. N. LAZARUS

May be personally consulted for SPECTACLES.

No charge for testing the eyes.

Glasses and frames of all kinds and qualities.

Prices from \$2 upwards.

16, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1903.

To-day's Advertisement.

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 1st December, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 27th November, 1903. [1423c]

Intimations.

MADAM FLINT & CO.,

DRESSMAKERS

AND

MILLINERS,

HAVE JUST RECEIVED

SMART READY-MADE

WINTER COSTUMES

OF THE

NEW FASHIONABLE

MATERIAL,

NOW SO MUCH IN VOGUE IN

LONDON.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1903. [1420c]

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.
JOINT SERVICES.TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 5th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"YANGTZE"	On 12th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TYDEUS"	On 29th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 1st January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 8th January.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"HYSON"	On 8th December.
LIVERPOOL	"ACHILLES"	On 20th December.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"PROMETHEUS"	On 22nd December.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"DARDANUS"	On 5th January.
MARSEILLES, L'DON & A'WERP.	"YANGTZE"	On 19th January.
LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	On 22nd January.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, and NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	"PELEUS"	On 28th November.
	"TYDEUS"	On 1st January.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"KAIFONG"	2nd December.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS, VILL, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	2nd "
LOILO and CEBU	"NANCHANG"	4th "
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	10th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivaled table. A daily
qualified Surgeon is carried.Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand and other Australian
Ports.N.B.—END OF SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1903.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewardess carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
RUBI	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 28th Nov., at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. W. Almond	"	SATURDAY, 5th Dec., at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	W. G. Lawson	"	"

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,
FOR

PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Dec. 14, 1903.
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Jan. 14, 1904.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Feb. 13, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	SATURDAY, 28th Nov.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Saito	SUNDAY, 29th Nov.
FOR FOCHOH	"ANPING MARU"	I. Goto	THURSDAY, 3rd Dec.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	"

* Via Swatow and Amoy.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China
and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is
provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.
All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the
Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's.
Steamers will go alongside the Co's Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at
Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.By the Co's steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze
River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's
steamers from Shanghai.For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co's Local Branch Office, at
No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1903.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

(1770)

Shipping—Steamers.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

MANILA LINE.



REGULAR SERVICE

BETWEEN HONGKONG AND
MANILA IN 48 HOURS.Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled.
Unrivaled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
ROHILLA MARU	Ernest Bent	3,869	TUESDAY, 1st December, at 11 A.M.
ROSETTA MARU	H. S. Smith	3,876	SATURDAY, 5th December, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House
Street.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1903.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

(1770)

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship.

"LAISANG."

Captain Tadd, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 1st December, at Noon.For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1903.

(1418)

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR RANGOON VIA AMOY AND
SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"PALAMCOTTA."

Captain J. B. Pearson, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 1st December, at
4 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1903.

(1417)

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

司公限有船輪華中

FOR MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, MAN-
ZANILLO, MEXICO AND
SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Steamship

"ATHOLL."

Captain Watt, will be despatched for the above
Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd December,
at Noon.For Freight, apply at the Company's Offices,
No. 20, Des Vaux Road.I. S. VAN BUREN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1903.

(1436)

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
TO NEW YORK.VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

1903.

About

"ORO".....21st Nov.

"ORONO".....8th Dec.

"LOWTHER CASTLE".....15th Dec.

"SIKH".....24th Dec.

"SAGAMI".....5th Jan.

"LENNOX".....15th Jan.

"AFRIDI".....27th Jan.

For Freight and further information, apply
to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1903.

(1418)

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.HONGKONG-MANILA,
REDUCED SALOON PAS-
SAGE MONEY.

SINGLE, \$20. RETURN, \$35.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric
Light. First Class Accommodation. Un-
rivalled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th July, 1903.

(804)

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw
Steamer

"KWONG CHOW,"

1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONG-
KONG for CANTON at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS,
TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning
to Hongkong the following days leaving
CANTON at 5 P.M. Unexcelled Accommoda-
tion for First Class Passengers. Ship lighted
throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare, \$4 Single Journey.

Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is West of the Hong-
kong Harbour Master's Office.SHIU ON S.S. CO., LTD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1903.

(322)

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"

Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week
Days, at 3.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays,
at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about
2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.FARE—(Week Days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servant), \$3; Return Ticket, \$5.
2nd Class, \$1; 3rd Class, 50 cents.On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class
Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
accommodations for two or more passengers.WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok
Street.The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
SUNDAY. It takes only 38 hours to reach
Macao.MING ON & CO.,
2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 7th September, 1903.

(1073)

Consignees.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA
LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"KONIG ALBERT,"

of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being
landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence
delivery may be obtained.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M.,
TO-DAY.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after 2nd December, will be
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd Decem-
ber, at 9.30 A.M.All Claims must reach us before the 7th
December, 1903, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned.NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th December, 1903.

(1563)

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE N.D.L. Steamship

"NURNBERG,"

Captain Jaburg, having arrived from the
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignature by the Undersigned and to
take immediate delivery of their goods from
alongside.Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before TO-
DAY.Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be
landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and
stored at Consignees' risk and expense.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 2nd December will be
subject to rent.All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 2nd December.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1903.

(1421)

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "TREMONT,"

FROM SEATTLE, TACOMA, VICTORIA,
YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.The above Steamer having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo are hereby requested to send
in their Bills of Lading for countersignature
and to take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1903.

(874)

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods will be delivered from alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining
on board after THURSDAY, the 26th instant,
at 4 P.M., will be landed at Consignees' risk and
expense into Godowns at East Point.No Fire Insurance will be effected by
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1903.

(1414)

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"SIBERIA,"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to
take immediate delivery of their Goods from
alongside.Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered
by Thursday, the 26th inst., at 10 A.M., will be
landed and stored at Consignees' risk and
expense.J. STUART THOMSON,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1903.

(1)

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG
STUDIO.HIGHER CLASS PHOTOGRAPHER,
41 & 43, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
TOP FLOOR.PORTRAITS, GROUPS and ENLAR-
GING and COPYING in all Sizes.LARGE SELECTION OF VIEWS ALWAYS
ON HAND.

PRICE VERY MODERATE.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1903.

(1120)

MEE CHEUNG,
PHOTOGRAPHER.TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
ICE HOUSE.IS now in a position to take New and Com-
plicated Premises, as heretofore, as heretofore,
ALL PHOTOGRAPHY ART PRACTICED
in the Colony, in any part of the Far East.GROUPS AND VIEWS
specially.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903.

(1550)

WEATHER-FORECASTS AND

STORM-WARNINGS ISSUED

FROM THE HONGKONG

OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the

mast beside the Time-ball at Kowloon Point

for the information of masters of vessels leaving

the port. They do not imply that bad weather

is expected here:—

A DRUM indicates a typhoon to the East-

ward of the Colony, (i.e., in the East

quadrant, N.E. to S.E.)

A BALL indicates a typhoon to the West-

ward of the Colony, (i.e., in the West

quadrant, S.W. to N.W.)

A CONE Point Upwards indicates a typhoon

to the Northward of the Colony, (i.e., in

the North quadrant, N.W. to N.E.)

A CONE Point Downwards indicates a ty-

phoon to the Southward of the Colony,

(i.e., in the South quadrant, S.E. to S.W.)

Red Signals indicate that the centre is believ-

ed to be more than 300 miles away from

the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is be-

lieved to be less than 300 miles away

from the Colony.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad

weather in the Colony and that the wind

is expected to veer.

Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate

bad weather in the Colony and that the

Shipping.

Arrivals.	Departures.
Sado Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,858, Anderson, 26th Nov., Japan, via Shanghai 23rd Nov., Gen.—N. Y. K.	Per Sado Maru, from Japan for Hongkong—Messrs. J. Nakamigawa, S. J. Austen, J. H. J. Symon, S. Mary Symon, H. W. Weckine, Trappell, Lieuts. A. Poter, B. T. Bulmer, J. J. Hyland, S. I. M. Major, Mrs. Bertha, Messrs. C. M. O. Leary, S. Morikawa, D. Matsui, Mr. and Mrs. J. Burns and 4 children, 1 European, 13 Japanese, 3 Indians and 3 Chinese. For Singapore—Mr. D. G. Perkins, Capt. E. N. Fisher, and 20 Japanese. For Colombo—Messrs. S. Reed, J. Irie and A. Adal. For Port Said—Mr. Gustav Grey. For Marseilles—Messrs. K. Yang, R. Tanaka, Major J. Koike, Dr. R. Ogino, Messrs. M. Mitsuue, T. Yama, M. Murakami, H. Ohara, S. H. Hino, H. Watanabe, A. Nara, T. K. Gawa, B. Hironaka, and 1 Japs. For London—Mr. A. Harrison, Mrs. H. E. Singleton, and 2 Japanese.
Mathilde, Ger. s.s., 678, Taft, 26th Nov., Hoihow 26 h Nov., Gen.—J. & Co.	Per Ceylon, for Hongkong from London—Mr. F. G. Fextor, Sub-Lieut. A. R. Gregory, Engr. P. Reese, Sub-Engr. B. King, and Acting Engr. T. Cocker. From Singapore—Lieut. F. Chandler, and 107 Chinese. From London for Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Godfrey, child and infant, and Mr. T. Parker.
Chateau Weanault, Fr. cruiser, 4,877, Poldone, 27th Nov., Amoy 26th Nov., Gen.—J. & Co.	Per Pelus, from Singapore—89 Chinese.
Ceylon, Br. s.s., 2,637, Lockstone, 26th Nov., London 17th Oct., and Singapore 20th Nov., Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.	Per Tjipanas, from Amoy—Messrs. Hewson, Bishop, and 138 Chinese.
M. Struve, Ger. s.s., 956, Brandt, 26th Nov., Hoihow and Hoihow 25th Nov., Gen.—S. & Co.	Per Nanchang, from Tientsin, &c.—Mrs. C. Walters.
Nanchang, Br. s.s., 1,650, Robinson, 26th Nov., Tientsin via Chin-wan-tau and Cheloo 22nd Nov., Hoihow—B. & S.	Per Hailong, from Swatow—Mrs. Rozario, Miss M. J. de Cruz, M. Y. de Cruz, Mr. Kye Pang, and 42 Chinese.
Kwongsang, Br. s.s., 1,427, Lake, 27th Nov., Canton 26th Nov., Gen.—J. & Co.	
Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 802, Pannier, 27th Nov., Hoihow and Hoihow 26th Nov., Gen.—A. R. M.	
Tjipanas, Dut. s.s., 3,847, Zevart, 27th Nov., Amoy 25th Nov., Gen.—Holtz s' Jacob & Co.	
Selsdon, Br. s.s., 2,451, Walter, 27th Nov., Wei-hai-wei 21st Nov., Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.	
Peleus, Br. s.s., 7,441, Barwise, 27th Nov., Singapore 21st Nov., Gen.—B. & S.	
Hailong, Br. s.s., 783, Evans, 27th Nov., Swatow 26th Nov., Gen.—D. L. & Co.	
Idzumi Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,391, Lande, 27th Nov., Moji 2nd Nov., Gold Coin.—N. Y. K.	

Passengers arrived.
 Per Sado Maru, from Japan for Hongkong—Messrs. J. Nakamigawa, S. J. Austen, J. H. J. Symon, S. Mary Symon, H. W. Weckine, Trappell, Lieuts. A. Poter, B. T. Bulmer, J. J. Hyland, S. I. M. Major, Mrs. Bertha, Messrs. C. M. O. Leary, S. Morikawa, D. Matsui, Mr. and Mrs. J. Burns and 4 children, 1 European, 13 Japanese, 3 Indians and 3 Chinese. For Singapore—Mr. D. G. Perkins, Capt. E. N. Fisher, and 20 Japanese. For Colombo—Messrs. S. Reed, J. Irie and A. Adal. For Port Said—Mr. Gustav Grey. For Marseilles—Messrs. K. Yang, R. Tanaka, Major J. Koike, Dr. R. Ogino, Messrs. M. Mitsuue, T. Yama, M. Murakami, H. Ohara, S. H. Hino, H. Watanabe, A. Nara, T. K. Gawa, B. Hironaka, and 1 Japs. For London—Mr. A. Harrison, Mrs. H. E. Singleton, and 2 Japanese.

Passengers departed.
 Per Rosetta Maru, for Manila—Mr. and Mrs. Makino Ogas, Mr. J. M. F. Caythorpe, Comdr. Wm. H. Heeler, U.S. Navy, Messrs. John Martin, Santos Martin, Fred. Nolte, Capt. Fergara, Miss Paz Guidote, Messrs. Valente Guidote, A. Kuenze, Carlos Gzell, Antonio R. Roxas, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stone, Messrs. Fung Tun, Tatsujiro Sato, Tadatsuke Yano, Ny J. Chan, Tamejiro Sato, Mr. and Mrs. Yasuhiro Iwashita, Messrs. Kichibeyo Iwashita, Nakatara Yasuhiro, Inokichi Takamoto, Soji Kawashara, Tain Chuan Tuan, Ny Bit, Tamejiro Murakami, Tsunkichi Najima, Nasajim Shirashi, Suji Kuramoto, Mashei Ukedai, Isaku Esaki, Matsuchi Sakamoto, Cheng Cock, G. Hoo, S. C. La Cruz, Rimnatsu Yuasa, Fred Williams. Mrs. Tamejiro Sato, and Miss I. Clifford.

Shipping Reports.
 Str. Nanchang from Tientsin:—Strong monsoon, high sea.
 Str. Hailong from Swatow:—Strong N.W. winds, moderate sea, sky cloudy.
 Str. Sado Maru from Japan:—Fresh to strong N.E. monsoon, and cloudy weather, passing showers N. of Formosa.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Coptic	Shanghai	J. & O. Co.	Nov. 28
Tjipanas	Manila	B. & S.	Nov. 28
Kaifong	Manila	B. & S.	Nov. 28
Bombay Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	Nov. 29
Changsha	Kobe	B. & S.	Nov. 29
Denbighshire	Singapore	S. T. & Co.	Nov. 29
Kumano Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	Dec. 1
Salzie	Singapore	M. M.	Dec. 1
Lightning	Singapore	J. M. & Co.	Dec. 1
Benlomond	Singapore	G. L. & Co.	Dec. 2
Sanuki Maru	Singapore	M. & Co.	Dec. 2
Indrasambha	Portland	P. & A. Co.	Dec. 2
Acama	Victoria	N. P. Co.	Dec. 4
Chingtu	Sydney	B. & S.	Dec. 5
Kumsang	Calcutta	J. M. & Co.	Dec. 7
America Maru	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	Dec. 8
Tartar	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	Dec. 9
Victoria	Victoria	N. P. Co.	Dec. 13
Korea	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	Dec. 15

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory:
 On the 27th at noon. The barometer has fallen over N. China, S.W. Japan and the Loochoos; risen over S. China and E. Japan. A depression exists over E. Manchuria and another area of low pressure appears to be lying near the Loochoos.
 The anticyclone is central over Mid-China, and a second area of high pressure lies over E. Japan.
 Gradients steep generally with strong N. gales in the Formosa Channel and N. part of the China Sea.
 Forecast:—strong N. winds; fair.

Nov. 26 at 10 a.m.	Nov. 26 at 4 p.m.	Nov. 27 at 10 a.m.
Barometer	30.24	30.13
Temperature	66	67
Humidity	66	59
Rainfall	—	—

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Nov. 27th, 1903, a.m.	Har. Th. Hu.	Wind	Wt.
Vladivostok	7 a.m.	30.6	29 92 SE 3 0
Nemuro	6 a.m.	30.28	— N 4 —
Hokodate	6 a.m.	30.33	— N 2 —
Tokio	6 a.m.	30.34	— NW 4 —
Kochi	6 a.m.	30.15	— E 6 —
Nagasaki	6 a.m.	30.11	— E 6 —
Kagoshima	6 a.m.	30.08	— S 2 —
Oshima	6 a.m.	30.05	— S 2 —
Naha	6 a.m.	30.01	— E 6 —
Ishigakijima	6 a.m.	30.01	— E 6 —
Taiichu	5 a.m.	30.21	— NE 6 —
Tainan	6 a.m.	30.14	— NE 8 —
Koshu	6 a.m.	30.04	— N 10 —
Pescadore	6 a.m.	30.17	— NE 10 —
Wei-hai-wei	9 a.m.	30.17	36 NW 3 —
Gutuzlaff	6 a.m.	30.37	38 NW 3 0
Sharp Peak	6 a.m.	30.31	51 NW 3 0
Amoy	6 a.m.	30.31	57 NNW 1 0
Swatow	9 a.m.	30.31	56 NNW 1 0
Canton	6 a.m.	30.31	80 N 5 0
Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.30	55 NNE 2 0
Victoria Peak	6 a.m.	30.28	— N 7 —
Gap Rock	6 a.m.	30.31	50 — N 6 CQ
Macao	6 a.m.	29.60	81 69 N 1 0
Haiphong	6 a.m.	29.81	81 NE 2 0
Manila	6 a.m.	29.81	81 NE 2 0
Bacolod	9 a.m.	29.81	81 NE 2 0
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C. St. James	10 a.m.	—	— N 1 —

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STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd.	\$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8—\$18 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$645 b.
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$ 8	3/11 = \$1.96 for 1902	\$20 b.
Do. Founders.	\$ 1	None	\$10
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	37 per cent = \$31 per share for 1902	\$402 1/2 a.
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$1 for year ended 30.4.1902	\$60 b.
North China In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Final of £1 making £3 for 1902	Tls. 230
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$135
Canton In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	30 % = \$15 per share for 1902	\$175 a.
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$24 per share for 1901	\$315
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$90
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$14 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$30 b.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902	\$75 b.
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	10 % = \$5 per share for 1902	\$18 a.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$30 a.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending 30.6.1903	\$27 b.
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 1	60 cts. = 30% for 1902	\$164 b.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£1 1/- b.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd. Limited.	\$ 50	Interim of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 30 b.
Do. Preference.	\$ 50	Interim of 4 % = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 23 1/2 a.
Do.	\$ 50	Interim of 3 1/2 % = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 30
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901	\$105 s.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Fin. of 7 % for year ending 30.9.02	Tls. 60
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None	\$14 s.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Fin. of Frs. 30 making Frs. 60 for 1902	\$600 a.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£18.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$8 s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 6 s.
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	12 % = \$6 for 1 year 30.6.03	\$207 b.
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 15 for year ending 30.4.03	Tls. 127 a.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903	\$88 1/2 b.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 61	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$38 s.
Shanghai & Hongkong Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 212 1/2 a.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1902	\$9 b.
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Interim of \$6 for 1903	\$151
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$2.30 per share for 1902	\$35
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Interim of \$1 1/2 for 1903	\$52 1/2 a.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1-year 1903	\$140 a.
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$28 a.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$ 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 14
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$11 a.
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 103 b.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	{ Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for 1902/1903	\$15 b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	3 % for period ended 31.10.97	Tls. 35 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 25 a.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 35
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	\$ 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00	Tls. 200
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$250
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15
Shanghai & Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 50 a.
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$23 1/2 b.
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	First year	\$18 s.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1902	\$14 1/2 a. & b.
Watkins, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$7 1/2 a.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$6 1/2 b.
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902	\$145
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1902	\$47 1/2
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of \$4 for 1903	\$245
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$18 for year ending 31.11.1902	\$320 s.
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$1 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	\$124 b.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 a.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£12.6		\$5 1/2
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 40	90 cents } for year ending 31.5.03	\$9 b.
Do. Founders.	\$ 10	\$9.70 }	\$210 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year	\$15 1/2 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	None	\$5 b.
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$11
William Powell, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$8 1/2 b.
Maatschappij tot Mijn, Bosch- en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Gulden 100	{ 4th Interim Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.9.1903	Tls. 305 b.
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	First year	\$50

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